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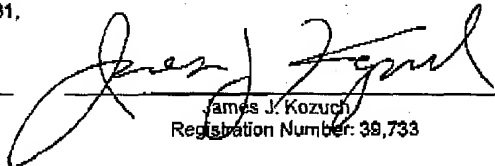
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APPLICANTS' STATEMENT REGARDING INTERVIEW SUMMARY

This is in response to the Interview Summary mailed September 23, 2003 in respect to this application. This Statement is being filed within one month of the mailing date of the Interview Summary.

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Patent 06052 USA

With regard to the prior art and claims discussed during the September 11, 2003 telephone interview, Applicants' attorney agrees with the Examiner's Interview Summary. Claims 1, 2 and 16 were discussed, as were the references cited in the Office Action mailed June 30, 2003 – U.S. Pat. No. 5,199,961 (Ohsaki, *et al.*) and U.S. Pat. No. 5,226,928 (Makabe, *et al.*).

The arguments presented to the Examiner during the telephone interview were essentially the arguments set forth in the Response After Final that was filed August 29, 2003. For the reasons stated in that Response and reiterated during the telephone interview, Applicants and their attorney respectfully disagree with the Examiner's statement in the Interview Summary that "the features upon which the applicant relies... are not recited in the rejected claims." In addition, for the reasons set forth in the August 29, 2003 Response After Final, which reasons were reiterated during the telephone interview on September 11, 2003, Applicants and their attorney disagree with the Examiner's statement in the Interview Summary that "the claim language ... does not distinguish over the prior art of record."

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